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Newsletter of Lake Yosemite Sailing Association

November 2017

LYSA's End of Year



Party * Election * Dinner * Awards



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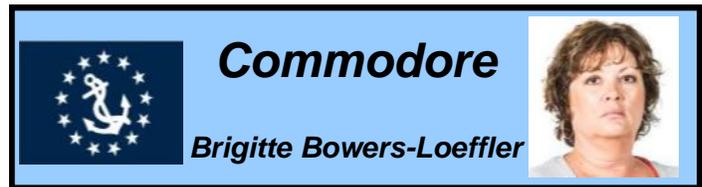
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Deadline is the 22nd of each month

Submit with LYSA in the Subject Line

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The end of the sailing season is upon us, marked by a very nice party on October 28th. The food was terrific (thanks to Craig Anderson for barbecuing) and we had lots of energetic, cute kids in creative costumes. It is really nice to have young kids showing up to our events again—for a few years, LYSA seemed to just be a bunch of old farts. Congratulations to pirate George Deane, who won the adult costume contest, and to Owen Cooper (AKA Jack Sparrow), who took home the prize—more candy!—for best costume in the children’s category, though I must say all of the costumes were wonderful.

Members also elected our new Board, and I’m really happy to announce the results, which means that half of the Board will really be a new body of LYSA representatives. Chris Cooper will serve as vice commodore, Chris Currier will be our new dock captain, Mike Bloed will take over the house captain position, and Dan Farmer will organize our events in his new role as social captain. These new Board members have never helped to govern LYSA before, and they bring with them exciting ideas and energy. Other Board members who will carry on in their previous positions are Chris Martin, secretary; Diane Sousa, treasurer; and Debbie Harden, race captain. Commodore will be Tom Cooke and I will serve as past commodore, a Board position that will disappear in January 2019, after Tom serves his past commodore term.

I’d also like to thank outgoing Board members Peggy Larson, John Larson, Matt Loeffler, and Jay Sousa. These individuals have done so much for LYSA, both on the Board and as general members, and I have sincerely appreciated their contributions over the years. Please thank them for their efforts when you see them.

The new Board will meet at the usual time and place November 14 to go over the 2018 budget. I hope everyone has a warm and wonderful Thanksgiving.

Ed & Matt Awards



How exciting to have new people on the Board! I wish them all well and I look forward to the new leadership for our Club. Please remember to contact me directly if supplies are needed at the clubhouse until the end of the year. Thank you everyone for your support while I have served on the Board!



**Don't miss
LYSA's Annual
Christmas Party!**

Saturday, December 2nd
Fish and Game Building

5 pm - Social Hour

Please bring an appetizer or dessert
and your own beverage

6 pm - Dinner

Gift Exchange * Ugly Sweater Contest



Please feel free to bring a guest
Adult: \$10, Children 6-10 \$5, 5 and under free

RSVP to lakeyosemitesailing@gmail.com
by Friday, December 1st



Cruise/Social Capt.

Matt Loeffler



Race Captain

Debbie Harden



The year is getting close to ending, and I'd just like to say it was a joy seeing everyone at the lake for the various activities, and just hanging out.

I got to spend a lot of time at the club house during the summer, helping out with Junior Sailing. Please, give a big thanks to Jake, Casey, and Bridget for doing a great job teaching the classes. More thanks to all the junior counselors, and of course to Jerry and Darrell. This is a great team to work with and I think all the campers had a great time and a few even learned to tie some knots.

Unfortunately I didn't get to go on any out of Lake boating trips this summer, but there were a number of members that have carried the name of LYSA all over the world on various travels, from San Francisco to France. Well done all you intrepid sailors.

Of course we have had many fine dinners at the lake, from the weekly Taco Night, (again thanks to all who helped with this) to our Open House Shrimp Feed. I'd also like to mention the excellent Friday night Social and Sail kicked off by Brigitte Bowers and Mike Streatly. You did a great job guys. If you didn't go to this I'm sure that we will continue it next year and it is well worth it. You're at the lake having fun with friends you bring in that haven't sailed, having a nice social, and then go out and sail.

The October Awards/Halloween party was held October 28th. Of course the Racing trophies and the Ed and Matt awards were given out but more importantly new officers have been chosen. I'd like to commend all the new board members that took the challenge and signed up to represent the club. It is great to see new faces, especially the newer members that have stepped up to the tiller to take charge. Now the main thing left for the year is the upcoming End of the Year Christmas Party, be sure to mark your calendars for the date. We will be having Prime Rib, Turkey, and all the fixings. Please remember to add an appetizer, or after dinner treat to your list on things to bring. We will of course be having our annual Gift exchange, and Ugly Sweeter Contest. More info to be coming.

Once again thank you to all for making this a wonderful year.

Awards for the Thursday Night Summer Racing Season were handed out at the Event on October 28, 2017. For those of you that weren't able to be there the awards were as follows:

CenterBoard Fleet:

Dave Strubbe took Second Place for the First Half and First Place for the Second Half.

Steve Leonard: First Half - First Place, Second Place for the Second Half. Steve also was awarded the CenterBoard Perpetual Trophy with 15 total points.

Non-Spinnaker Fleet:

Rachel Hadley: First Half - First Place, Second Place for the Second Half. Her total points were 17.

Chuck Rockholt took Second Place for the First Half and First Place for the Second Half. He had a total of 16 point for the season, which awarded him the Perpetual Trophy.

Spinnaker Fleet:

Steve Eyberg took Second Place for the First Half.

Dan & Dave Aleman took Second Place for the Second Half.

Tim Harden & the Sea Scouts took First Place for both. Tim Harden awarded the Perpetual Trophy.

Crew Person of the Year went to Nick Fordyce, who crews for Dan & Dave Aleman.

Most Improved Sailor award went to the Sea Scouts.

Appreciation gifts were given to:

Steve Leonard: for his dedication to setting the marks, keeping gas in the tank, & overall maintenance of the committee boat.

Tim Harden: for the race committee's sun shade.

Mike Streatly: for being my mentor & sounding board, his computer work for the club and much more.

Amy Davis: for her work on the Race Committee

Don Hadley: for being the committee boat safety guy, for picking up & storing the marks weekly, for assistance on the RC

Miranda Hadley: for being my right-hand person. **I couldn't do this job without Don & Miranda!**

Thanks to all the sailors who came out on Thursday nights! If you have any ideas on how to make Thursday night racing more successful please email or text.

I am open to ideas.



Secretary

Chris Martin



LYSA General Meeting October 10, 2017

Called to order at 7:00 pm by Commodore
Minutes not read Secretary not in attendance

Reports:

John Larson, Dock Captain: Water is going down.
Sailors need to have their boats out of the water by
October 15, 2017. There are 8 slots available for
winter storage and boats in winter storage need to
be up to date on their stickers.

Jay Sousa, Past Commodore: nothing to report
Matt Loeffler, Social Captain: End of Season event

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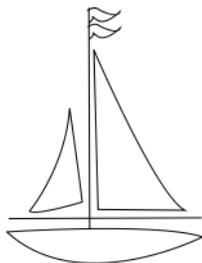
Sailor's Calendar: November

Your boat should be tucked away some-
where for the winter: dry storage, your
or a friend's backyard, Bay Area for
Winter sailing.

Clean her off and check for damages be-
fore covering her up for the season.

Make a mental list of what needs to be
done before the next sailing season.

Put things you might need for the boat
on your Santa Wish List.



Upcoming Events

November, 2017

14 General / Board Meeting—Budget

December, 2017

2 Christmas Party

January, 2018

1 Frostbite Regatta

February, 2018

Oakland Yacht Club Sunday Brunch Series

March, 2018

General / Board Meeting

St. Patrick's Day at the Lake—Social 5/ Dinner at 6 pm

Oakland Yacht Club Sunday Brunch Series

Petaluma trip

April, 2018

6th Annual Chili Fest. Bring your best Chili - 5 pm

Strictly Sail Pacific, Richmond

Livingston Kite Festival—8:30 to 4:30

Don Pedro trip

May, 2018

LYSA Opening Day

LYSA Thursday Night Summer Series Begins

LYSA Spring Regatta

June, 2018

Gold Country Regatta

Open House/Shrimp Feed

Delta Doo Dah

Sunday Brunch at the Clubhouse

July, 2018

4 Independence Day Potluck Lunch BBQ & Fun Sail

Jack & Jill Race, Skippers 3:30, Race at 4, BBQ to follow

High Sierra Regatta, small boat, Huntington Lake

High Sierra Regatta, large boat, Huntington Lake

Special Needs Sailing Day

Sunday Brunch at the Clubhouse

August, 2018

Junior Sailing Regatta, Skippers' meeting 10 am

"Cocktail and Sail" 6 to 8 pm, bring a guest

Sunday Brunch at the Clubhouse

September, 2018

"Cocktail and Sail" 6 to 8 pm, bring a guest

October, 2018

Fleet Week SF Bay

End of Year Party / Election / Dinner / Awards

Dates are To Be Determined. Subject to change.

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will be held on October 28 at 5:00 pm. Elections will be held. Awards for Summer Season will be given. Encourage you to wear a costume. There will be prizes for adult & children costumes. Bring a side to share. BYOB. \$5 per person.

Diane Sousa, Treasurer: November meeting will be the Budget meeting.

Peggy Larson, House Captain: A reminder, if you are having a private event at the Clubhouse, you must provide your own plates, plastic ware, cups, etc. If you notice something is getting in short supply, call or email her to let her know. We have both a mouse and wasp problem in the house. Pest company has been called.

Tom Cooke, Vice Commodore: nothing to report
Debbie Harden, Race Captain: nothing to report
Brigitte Bowers, Commodore: Thanked those members who have stepped up to fill a Board position. She is excited about the new ideas they may bring with them.

Old Business: nothing

New Business: Elections & Club Viability. We now have people in each Board position for our elections on October 28, 2017.

Good of the Order: The drawing for the winter storage was held. The following 8 names were pulled: the Sousas, Mike Allen, Gary Hogsten, Wes Unruh, Mike Brady, Rick Kleitman, John Larson, the Alemans. Please make sure your stickers are current. Summer storage boats should be removed by Friday, Oct. 13, 2017 to make room for those who will have Winter storage.

Adjournment at 7:17. Tom Cooke first. Jay Sousa second. All in favor.

Board Meeting: called at 7:28 pm

Old Business: Debbie brought up again that we need to stay active in this El Toro Nationals if it is to be held at Lake Yosemite in 2018. Matt said he would be in touch with Darrell about it to see what progress has been made.

New Business: Communication. Some suggestions were made to make sure when sending emails that you actually sign your email so that recipients will know who sent it (not just LYSA) and to whom to respond. Also to make sure that what is sent to the

General Membership is correct/Board approved.

Other: Absentee Ballot? Brigitte will be in touch with Chris Martin to get this sent out.

Discussion about recycling of the cans & bottles. Dianne says that the money from that is a part of the budget. Right now, the yard people are handling it, so that money can't be included in the budget. Discussion about revisiting it with the new House Captain in 2018. Idea to ask the General Membership who would like to take on this responsibility so that the Club can count that money in the budget.

Discussion about raising dock fees. John suggested that we need to build up the account because major repairs, upgrade will be needed in the near future. John was asked to prepare a proposal about how much increase he recommends & the purpose of the increase to present to the General Membership if Board approval is met. Bylaws read to determine how the raise in any fees should be handled.

Discussion about raising membership dues. The house is in need of major repair. There is dry rot around all windows. The underlayment is questionable. The increase would be put towards the improvement account. Discussion about if the building would qualify as a Historical building, Go Fund Me accounts. It was decided that we do not have a triple net lease agreement with MID. Dianne said that our agreement with MID is that they will pay for materials but not for labor. Brigitte suggested that the Jr. Sailing program would consider not accepting the money raised from the Shrimp Feed for this one year, so that the money could go into the House improvement account. Peggy or John will contact Dennis Wainwright to see if he could draw up a general idea about what needs to be done & pricing. With that information the new Board can decide how to proceed.

Discussion about RSVP and club events. Chris Cooper, (upcoming Vice Commodore) suggested that we start creating Facebook events so that people who have FB can more easily reply. In our advertisement of events we need to use more than one outlet as not everyone in the club is on FB.

Chris Cooper has said that he is not getting emails or newsletters. This needs to be updated. Adjournment at 8:04pm Debbie first, Jay second. All in favor

FREE TO A GOOD HOME

The Rag Doll owned and sailed by John Derby, is looking for a good home. It sailed Lake Yosemite as the "Ghost Ship" for several years before it was hit in the bow by a jet ski. With the \$2,500 from the insurance the bow was repaired and new ribs were installed in the hull made of Black African Mahogany. She is a solid boat but needs additional repairs.

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